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Public Notice:
Proposed Underground Storage Tank Case Closure

Bechthold Gas Station (T0611300008)

Case No. 570010

454-456 North East Street
Woodland, Yolo County, CA

Bechthold Gas Station located at 454-456 North East Street (the Site) in Woodland, California has cleaned up a petroleum release associated with its underground storage tanks (USTs). The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) is providing you an opportunity to comment regarding the proposed cleanup case closure.

At the request of the Responsible Party (RP), Geocon collected soil, soil vapor, and groundwater samples from multiple borings, excavations, and groundwater monitoring wells to assess subsurface conditions across the Site and at nearby locations from 1994 through 2020. Geocon evaluated and monitored both the nature and extent of the petroleum hydrocarbon release, and its potential effect on human health and waters of the State. At the request of the RP and in concurrence with the Central Valley Water Board, Geocon installed a remediation system that decreased the mass of petroleum hydrocarbons beneath the Site and downgradient (northeast) of the Site. This active remediation, along with continued natural attenuation (natural degradation) of the petroleum hydrocarbons, have reduced the environmental impacts from the release to levels that no longer threaten human health or waters of the State. The residual petroleum hydrocarbon plume is defined, stable, and is expected to attenuate below established water quality objectives without migrating beyond its current extent.

Based on these data, Geocon submitted the *Low-Threat Closure Policy Evaluation Report* on behalf of the responsible party. Central Valley Water Board staff reviewed the request for regulatory closure and based on the data, concluded the case meets the criteria for closure. The Central Valley Water Board is issuing this notice and providing a 60-day public comment period to the owners and residents of all properties near Bechthold Gas Station and other interested parties. Central Valley Water Board staff will consider comments they receive when evaluating the case closure.

Public Comment Period: February 1, 2021 through April 2, 2021

FOR MORE INFORMATION

You can obtain additional information on the [State Water Resources Control Board's GeoTracker website](http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/) (<http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>). Please contact Galvin Kauffman with the Central Valley Water Board if you have any comments or questions about this Public Notice or about the environmental cleanup activities at Bechthold Gas Station:

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Notice to the Hearing Impaired

TDD users can obtain information about the Site by using the California State Relay Service (800) 735-2929 to reach the Public Participation Specialist. Ask them to contact the Central Valley Water Board at (916) 464-3291 regarding the Public Notice for the proposed UST case closure of Bechthold Gas Station.

Figure 1

Source: *Low-Threat Closure Policy Evaluation Report*, Geocon Consultants, Inc., December 17, 2020. Available on the GeoTracker website.

